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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
NOBUKO YAMAMOTO ET AL. )  
Application No.: 09/942,596 )  
Filed: August 31, 2001 )  
For: METHOD FOR ANALYZING )  
BASE SEQUENCE OF )  
NUCLEIC ACID )  
Examiner: J. Fredman  
Group Art Unit: 1634  
June 8, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

I. Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 8, 2004 for two (2) months from April 8, 2004 to June 8, 2004. A check in the amount of \$420.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account

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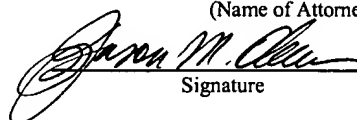
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June 8, 2004  
Date of Signature

II. This is in response to the Office Action dated January 8, 2004, the period for reply having been extended by the above petition and payment of the extension fee. Please consider the following remarks.